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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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SUBJECT: SNIE 50-57: PROBABLE DEVELOPMENTS IN THE
KASHMIR DISPUTE

1. At the request of Assistant Secretary of State Rountree, a special estimate on the Kashmir dispute has been scheduled for IAC consideration on 16 July. The estimate will cover probable diplomatic developments in the UN and elsewhere but will give particular attention to reassessing the likelihood of border clashes, communal rioting, large-scale hostilities or other complications in the dispute.

2. In view of the short deadline, we plan to dispense with formal terms of reference and written contributions. Your representatives are requested to meet with us in Room 136, Administration Building, at 2:00 p.m., on Thursday, 27 June, to provide oral contributions. An agenda outlining the projected scope of the estimate is attached.

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Agenda for Oral Contributions

- A. Changes in Pakistani and Indian Attitudes and Expectations regarding Kashmir.
- B. The present military and paramilitary balance. Relative capabilities.
- C. Probable diplomatic developments: Pakistani and Indian aims and tactics in the UN -- probable outcome and effect on Indian and Pakistani attitudes.
- D. Incentives and deterrents to Pakistani effort to force the issue by other means -- means available and probable Pakistani course of action. Likelihood of uncontrolled action by Azad Kashmiris or tribesmen. Likelihood of pro-Pakistani outbursts within Indian-held Kashmir. Indian reactions.
- E. Likelihood of Indian actions leading to increased tensions. Possible Indian or Kashmir Government moves and Pakistani reactions.
- F. The communal rioting issue -- seriousness of problem -- situations in which it might develop -- reactions of Indian and Pakistani governments.
- G. Summary: likelihood of a settlement or significant progress in that direction -- likelihood of major hostilities or disturbances in either India or Pakistan.

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